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**DRAFT Resolution # 2023-30**

**2023 Aquatic Weed Harvester Resolution**

The following resolution was offered by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, and (adopted):

**WHEREAS**, there continues to be serious water quality impairment that are a threat to human and environmental health at Georgica Pond and continued growth of blue-green algae and macrophyte blooms which are promoted by nitrogen and phosphorous found in the Pond, and;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for continued monitoring of the blue crab and fish populations in Georgica Pond, and;

**WHEREAS**, a 5 year permit has been received by the Friends of Georgica Pond Foundation, Inc. from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation to harvest the macrophytes in Georgica Pond to which the Trustees have been named as property owners, and;

**WHEREAS**, in the past, the Trustees, have agreed to permit the use of an aquatic weed harvester to operate in Georgica Pond for five (5) days a week, Monday to Friday for a total of 7.5 hours a day from the months of June to September and to operate a motorized skiff boat to collect monitoring and survey data periodically during the months of June to September, and;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Friends of Georgica Pond Foundation, Inc. shall be permitted to continue use of the aquatic weed harvester to harvest macrophytes and a skiff boat to survey blue crab and fish populations for 7.5 hours a day, Monday to Friday for approximately 12 weeks, from June 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023.

Offered at the meeting of February 27, 2023

Vote: